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TOPIC Rangsdorf AirfieldEVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED

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REMARKS

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1. Between 7 and 20 August 1953, the following observations at Rangsdorf airfield:

7 August. Five twin-engine transport aircraft were parked in front of a hangar. The aircraft were marked and the rear third of their rudder assemblies was painted red. The hangar next to the railroad line was open and occupied by aircraft.

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8 August. About 9 a.m., 9 twin-engine aircraft, flying in squadron wedge formation at an altitude of about 900 meters, were seen over the field coming from the direction of Schoenefeld and heading toward Luckenwalde.

11 August. At 3:30 p.m., two freight cars were loaded with aircraft scrap at the railroad line next to the field. One single-engine monoplane and 3 biplanes were parked in front of the closed hangars.

19 and 20 August. The noise of running engines tested at the test stand was heard from the field.

2. About 4 p.m. on 8 August, observed 1 Li-2, of which the port engine was being dismantled, and 1 single-engine low-wing monoplane at the field. The propeller hub of the latter plane was marked by a yellow, white and red circles. At 8:20 a.m. on 22 August, 1 Li-2 and a yellow vertical stripe at the trailing edge of its rudder assembly and 2 single-seater, single-engine low-wing monoplanes, one of which was marked by white No 62 and a red vertical stripe at the trailing edge of its rudder assembly, were seen in front of the hangars. At 6:40 p.m., no aircraft were seen in the open hangars. The Li-2 was still parked at the field.

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Comment.

Repairs on piston engines and overhauls on conventional aircraft are being performed at the work shops, however, information on the personnel working there is not available. The twin-engine monoplanes observed on 8 August, probably belonged to the transport regiment which transferred from Schoenefeld to Alt Loennowitz.

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